

Sri M. C. NARASIMHAN.—Is it not a fact that their claims have been rejected?

Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH.—It is not correct. The question has to be examined.

Sri M. C. NARASIMHAN.—Will you kindly look into this?

Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH.—It is hardly necessary. If rules permit, it will be done.

Supply of Electric Power for Irrigation Pump Sets to Hanur, Kollegal Taluk.

Q.—272. Sri G. VENKATAIGOWDA (Palaiyam).

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the estimate for the supply of power for irrigation pump sets to Hanur in Kollegal Taluk has been sanctioned;

(b) if not, the stage at which it is pending?

A.—Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH (Minister for Public Works).—

(a) No.

(b) The estimate for 91 Irrigation Pumping Sets in Hanur, Battaguppa and Halepuram in Kollegal Taluk has been prepared and scrutinised.

Sri G. VENKATAIGOWDA.—May I know the probable time when the estimates would be sanctioned?

Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH.—The fact is this, Sir. There is no fresh sanction for fresh work for 1957-58. Out of the grant of Rs. 38 lakhs now provided for these works, it will be taken up. As soon as the Government gives sanction, this work will be taken up.

Letter from the Prime Minister that Ministers should be Less Pompous.

Q.—309. Sri G. SIVAPPA (Chitaldrug).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

whether there is any letter from the Prime Minister of India to the

Chief Ministers of States—including State of Mysore—to the effect that the Ministers should be less pompous?

A.—Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA (Chief Minister).—

The State Government has not received any communication.

Sri G. SIVAPPA.—May I know whether the Leader of the House has received any letter from the Prime Minister of India?

***Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA.**—The reply is already there. It is generally felt and everybody has seen in the Press that the Prime Minister wants us to have less pomp and less show.

Sri G. SIVAPPA.—Is it not a fact that when the Chief Ministers' Conference took place in Delhi, the Prime Minister was particular in vacating his present quarters and also in implementing the idea of being simple and less pompous?

Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA.—I do not think I can say that. But it is true that all along we have been told to be less pompous and less showy.

Sri G. SIVAPPA.—Is it not a fact that the Prime Minister of India, with a view to implement what he said, is going to a very small house?

Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA.—I am not aware of that.

Sri A. R. BADRI NARAYAN.—Are the Ministers in Mysore pompous?

Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA.—Certainly not.

Sri G. VENKATAIGOWDA.—Apart from any directions, either given or not given, is it not the principle underlying the Congress Government to be less pompous?

Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA.—I have never felt that we are pompous.

Sri ANNA RAO GANAMUKHI.—May I know whether the Government have any intention of reducing the pay of Ministers?

Mr. SPEAKER.—The question of intention is outside the scope of this question.

A MEMBER.—Is not flying flags on cars a pompous show?

Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA.—That is a matter of opinion.